# PROCEEDINGS OF THE BROWN COUNTY FIRE INVESTIGATION TASK FORCE

### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Brown County Fire Investigation Task Force was held on September 17, 2009, at 9:00 a.m., at the Allouez Fire Department, 135 Dauphin St., Green Bay, WI.

Present: Jeff Roemer, Nicklaus Craig, Larry Mours, Tom Vandenack, Rick Davidson,

Glenn Deviley, Brad Muller, Larry Wilson, Mark Wallace, Robert Kiser, Ed Janke,

Don Phillips, John Gossage

Excused: Jim Arts, Greg Urban, Dennis Kocken

Absent: Derek Beiderwieden, Eric Dunning, Kevin Tielens, Jim Nickel, Kevin Heimerl,

John Zakowski

Item #1. Adoption of Agenda.

The agenda was adopted.

<u>Item #2.</u> Approve Minutes of Meeting of May 21, 2009.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

Item #3. Report of Monthly Activities of the Fire Investigation Unit.

Muller reported that the fire investigation unit was called out 12 times since the last meeting.

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05-30-09 3480 Bay Highlands Dr., Green Bay (residence/accidental)
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05-31-09 1429 N. Irwin Ave., Green Bay (duplex/arson)

06-02-09 2337 Townhall Rd., Bellevue (residence/undetermined)

06-03-09 1322 S. Broadway, Green Bay (2-family/accidental)

06-05-09 1217 St. Agnes Dr., Green Bay (residence/fatal/accidental)

06-25-09 3334 Walter Way, Green Bay (multi-family/accidental)

07-03-09 1337 S. Taylor St., Green Bay (multi-family/arson/under investigation)

07-11-09 1024 Harvey St., Green Bay (duplex/undetermined)

08-07-09 1623 Lynwood Ln., Bellevue (residence/arson)

08-29-09 1016 Eliza St., Green Bay (residence/fatal/accidental)

09-10-09 1032 Pine St., Green Bay (duplex/arson)

09-10-09 4335 De Pere Rd., Glenmore (residence/arson)

<u>Item #4.</u> Report of General Membership President.

Muller reported that the last meeting was held on September 3, 2009, at Bellevue Fire Station #1. The task force was given an award at the spring IAAI conference for the investigation of the Mays

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grocery store fire, which resulted in convictions. There was discussion on pager issues. The fall IAAI conference will be held November 6-8, 2009, in Rhinelander, focusing on heavy equipment fires. Election of officers was held. Muller was re-elected as president, Glenn Deviley was elected as vice-president, and Rick Davidson was re-elected as treasurer. Looking for different training ideas. Training entailed the fatal fire on Eliza Street and hybrid cars. The next meeting is scheduled for December 3, 2009, at the Brown County Sheriff's Department.

#### Item #5. Old Business.

A. Dispositions of Case Proceedings.

Zakowski was not present.

B. Status of County agreement with MABAS.

No new information to report.

C. Revisit approval of intern application for Christopher Brodbeck of the Suamico Fire Department.

Muller advised that Brodbeck does not meet the qualifications to become an intern. Motion made by Muller and seconded by Wallace to deny his application. **Motion carried.** 

## Item #6. New Business.

A. Election of Officers.

Motion was made by Muller and seconded by Wilson to re-elect Kiser as chairperson. **Motion carried.** Motion was made by Vandenack and seconded by Davidson to re-elect Mours as vice-chairperson. **Motion carried.** 

<u>Item #7.</u> <u>Report of Juvenile Firesetter Program Coordinator.</u>

A. Update on Safety House (501C-3 Plan).

Muller reported that the safety house is now being stored at Van Rite Construction off Packerland Drive in Ashwaubenon at no charge. It was suggested sending the owner of the property a thank you letter.

Craig advised there were two referrals to Human Services. The electronic filing system has been completed.

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### Item #8. Other Matters.

The fire investigation van is currently disabled with steering problems. Kiser stated he received a memo from Cullen Peltier, the Brown County Emergency Management director, who informed him that the Oneida Tribe may have a vehicle or two they are not using that could meet our needs. Muller will check out the vehicles. It was brought up that Suamico has one for sale. Motion made by Vandenack and seconded by Davidson to start seeking replacement of a response vehicle. **Motion carried.** 

# <u>Item #9.</u> <u>Set Date, Time, and Location of Next Meeting</u>.

The next meeting was set for Thursday, November 12, 2009, at 9:00 a.m., at the Allouez Fire Department.

Item #10. Adjourn.

Motion was made by Vandenack and seconded by Mours to adjourn the meeting. **Motion** carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Marsha Laurent Recording Secretary